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FOLLOWING IS TEXT LETTER, FOR YOUR INFORMATION, FROM
BILLER (EB/TT) TO GEORGE ROGERS (DOT) WHICH DELIVERED TO
BRITISH EMBASSY AFTERNOON APRIL 2 FOR TRANSMITTAL TO
ROGERS:

QUOTE. CHARLES CRUICKSHANK HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH US WITH
REGARD TO THE TRANSATLANTIC CAPACITY QUESTION. THE SITUATION
APPEARS TO BE THAT BOTH PAN AM AND BRITISH AIRWAYS
HAVE REJECTED THE TWA COMPROMISE PROPOSAL. WE, OF COURSE,
CONTINUE TO PREFER THAT THE AIRLINES WORK THIS MATTER OUT
BUT, AT THIS MOMENT, IT SEEMS NO NEW COUNTER PROPOSALS HAVE
BEEN MADE. HOWEVER, QUITE ASIDE FROM THE TRADITIONAL US
RELUCTANCE FOR GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO CAPACITY AGREEMENTS,
IT APPEARS TO US THAT THE SCHEDULE PROGRAMS OF THE
AIRLINES THIS SUMMER, IN THE ABSENCE OF AN AIRLINE AGREEMENT,
DO NOT PRESENT A PROBLEM THAT WARRANTS DIRECT
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GOVERNMENTAL INTERVENTION.

IF YOU WISH TO DISCUSS THESE FACTORS WITH US, WE WOULD OF
COURSE BE PLEASED TO SEE YOU IN WASHINGTON SOME TIME NEXT
WEEK ON OR AFTER TUESDAY. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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